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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-7-14, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REMOVE THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES IN THE THIRD CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

- **SECTION 1.** Section 9-7-14, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:
- 9-7-14. (1) There shall be three (3) judges for the Third Circuit Court District.
- (2) The three (3) judgeships shall be separate and distinct and denominated for purposes of appointment and election only as "Place One," "Place Two" and "Place Three." * * *
- SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act applies to the regular judicial election to be held in November 2022 for the Third Circuit Court District, to any special election held before November 2022, and to any election that occurs thereafter for the Third Circuit Court District.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 28, 2019

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PASSED BY THE SENATE

March 28, 2019

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR

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